

Board of Selectmen

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Michael Tomacelli

Town Manager

Daniel Bryer Jr.



**Town of Boothbay
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Wednesday, January 23, 2019
7:00 PM
MINUTES**

Present: Steven Lewis, Michael Tomacelli, Kristina Ford, Town Manager Dan Bryer

Pledge of Allegiance:

Public Hearing: None scheduled

Public Comment: None

Approve Minutes: Michael Tomacelli made a motion to approve the minutes of 01-09-2019 as presented and Kristina Ford seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0 in favor.

Reports:

Town Office Reports – The Public Works Crew have been putting in long hours from the past storm, prioritizing sight lines and repairing equipment damaged in the storm. The Code Enforcement Office has been busy, they have 2 Building Permits, 2 Shoreland Building Permits, 2 Internal Plumbing Applications, 1 Subsurface Application and 3 Shoreland Vegetation Removal Permits. 1 Planning Board Use Change Application. The results from the last Planning Board meeting was an approval for Mark Sullivan for an existing pier and float and Richard Reiner was denied a change of use for an Art Studio. The issue was that it falls under the definition of manufacturing and it is outside the realm of home occupation. He knows that they are working on the ordinance now and that it may change. Mark Dukakis was approved for a deck on existing structure and William Duncan was approved for an expansion on non-conforming. The Planning Board meets once a month and Kristina Ford requested Dan Bryer include the decisions in his report because that is where all the changes happen. Dan states that 4 applications is a lot for the Planning Board this time of year. Some people have come in with Pre-Apps as well. The Code Office tries to stress that it is good for them to come before the board with pre-apps so they can get their input and they can do everything they can to help them. The Business Office has a lien release that needs to be signed at the next meeting. Due to health reasons the person was behind and now they have caught up.

Dan praises our EMA Director, Scott Campbell for all the work he did this year. He was able to get tens of thousands dollars back from FEMA and MEMA to put back in the town's coffers from the storm in November of last year. It really caused havoc in Ocean Point in the area of Shore Road. The Public Works Crew spent a lot of time working out there and that is what we are getting compensated for. Scott Campbell went well above and beyond his job description and did a fantastic job.

BOS Action Items – None

Old Business: Kristina Ford mentions she will be meeting with Boothbay Harbor regarding Broadband and she has been talking with Stephanie at the Island Institute. They are going to do a survey like other towns have done. She has a sample and would like someone else from the Select Board to go over it

with her, she asks Michael Tomacelli to help. They will do four different surveys, one for business, one for personal, one for Boothbay and one for Boothbay Harbor.

There is a brief conversation regarding the budget, Dan Bryer is still waiting on some of the numbers.

Kristina Ford mentions a misspelling on a Transfer Station sign. Steve Lewis said it has been noticed by others as well.

Dan Bryer states he will have the Outside Organization Funding information at the next meeting. Andi Lowery was out sick so it didn't get put together in time for this meeting. Steve Lewis mentioned he would like to also see what other towns have given the organizations as well.

Wharves and Weirs : Mark and Anne Sullivan have all the approvals, State, Federal, the Harbor Master has put out a letter and the Planning Board has approved their application as well. Kristina Ford asks about the Wharves and Weirs approval process. Why it takes so long because the initial date of Mark and Anne Sullivan's application was in October. Dan Bryer states that the Harbor Master has to go out and inspect it at the lowest annual tide to check the channel to make sure there isn't any navigation issues. Michael Tomacelli makes motion to approve, Kristina Ford seconds it. Vote: 3-0 in favor.

Michael Tomacelli mentions that he is not sure why the wharves and weirs need to go in front of the Planning Board when they have all the permits and approvals already done. The packet includes The Army Corp of Engineers reviews, DEP approval and even in most instances they have surveyed plans. It could just go straight to the Board of Selectmen for approval. There is further discussion on the process and how thorough it is.

New Business: Dan Bryer announces that Nomination Papers are out. There is 1 Selectman Seat available, 1 Trustee to the Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor School District, 1 Member of the Superintendent of Schools Committee, 1 Trustee for the Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor Cemetery District and 1 Trustee for the Boothbay Region Water District. Those positions are all available this year.

Public Comment: None

Review Warrants and sign: Steve Lewis made a motion to review the warrants and sign them and Kristina Ford seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0 in favor.

Adjourn meeting: At 7:30 PM Steve Lewis made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Michael Tomacelli seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0 in favor.